

This Morning

I am offering the first
Native

Surprise Melons

Quality decidedly fine.
Also Grapes from the
Highland Vineyard.

Sage Cheese

also the finest

Cream Cheese.

White wine and Cider
Vinegar of the finest
quality.

Sweet Cream.

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NO. 12 STATE STREET.

TRY OUR
Pastry
...Flour

We have the
best. We have
also a full line
of BREAKFAST
CEREALS.

White & Smith,

City agents for Shaker bread.

We Offer
Today

for your inspection a full variety
of Plums, Peaches, Pears, Native
Melons, Golden Sweet Apples, Pie
Apples, and a great variety of
fruits and vegetables. Other lines
of goods up-to-date with the season.
Special attention to our
Teas and Coffees. We would like
you to try samples and be con-
vinced. Full line of Lowney's
fine Chocolates and popular
brands of Cigars. Prices right.

H. A. Sherman & Co.

101 Main St. Grocer.

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A Midsummer
Clearing
Sale
of

Shirt
Waists

500 shirt waists, the choicest of this sum-
mer's styles, to be closed out at an im-
mense reduction to dispose of the balance
of our stock. Note the cut in prices we
have made to reduce the stock quickly.
\$1.25 and 75¢ 1.00 shirt waists at 75¢.
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\$2.75, 2.50, 2.25 and 2.00 shirt waists at
\$1.25.

LOCAL NEWS

—ON—

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Local News!

CRANE AND LAWRENCE.

The Objects of Some Yearning Political
Eyes in Pittsfield.

Local News!

FRANKLIN'S FAITH

Waiting for Senator Law-
rence to Speak Out His
Intention.

THAT LOCALITY CONSIDERATION

Berkshire Has Not Any Claim to the
Congressional Nomination They

Think Through the Tunnel.

The Wagon Must Wait
Till Malone Comes
Home.

The following is from the "Franklin
County Bible":

Little has developed in the congressional
situation during the week. The activity
which usually precedes a nomination of
this importance is wanting and will
remain wanting until it is understood
what the position of Mr. Lawrence and
Mr. Malone will be. The understanding
between these two men is something less
probably very much less, than a
compact that for Malone's aid
in the senate presidency matter, Law-
rence's self-efacement in a congressional
contest is to be returned. Whatever it may
be, it is a personal matter, and it will not
be so easy to bind the Republican party of
this district to its observance if it shall appear to work un-
fairly. The nomination is a right belonging to
the body of the party, and it would be
little to the credit of the Republicans of
this district if they should fail to exercise
it to serve their own purposes, however
personal ambitions and understandings
may suffer.

Saying this is not denying that upon the
position taken by Messrs. Lawrence and
Malone very much depends. They are
the prominent candidates and the withdrawal
of either one from the field or the
decision of both to remain in would have
immediate results, though just what is
not yet discernible. The pressure upon
Senator Lawrence to take the field is
strong, but it is apparent that he will
await Mr. Malone's return before declaring
himself, a course which commands
itself as gentlemanly and fair.

Surely in the Field.

Some persons seem to have the opinion
that Col. F. S. Richardson will not be a
candidate for the Republican nomination
for representative. There is no doubt in
the minds of the friends of the colonel
about the matter. No other name has
been mentioned except the name of John
E. Marenis and it is as certain as it well
can be that Col. Richardson will receive
the nomination. There need be no doubt
about his candidacy.

Some Pittsfield Timber.

William D. MacInnes said Friday re-
garding the Democratic nomination for
congress that he could not very well ac-
cept or decline something which had not
been offered to him, and that his business
was of such pressing nature that he could
not entertain such an offer if it were made
to him. Mayor Hawkins has been sug-
gested as a candidate on the Republican
ticket, and the suggestion has met with
general approval among the people of
Pittsfield.

District Court.

The following cases were in court this
morning:

James Waters, drunkenness, sentenced to
30 days in the house of correction at
Pittsfield.

Luke Flaherty, disturbing the peace, fined \$5.

Robert May, larceny, retracted his plea
of not guilty and was fined \$5.

Charles Wood, assault, papers filed
away.

G. A. R. Notes.

Sanford post, G. A. R., passed resolutions
Friday night in the death of Congress-
man A. B. Wright. The resolutions
will spread on the post's records and a
copy transmitted to Mrs. Wright. The
post chose Commander Tower, A. W. Fulton
and W. F. Darby a committee to
take charge of the coming entertainments
under the auspices of the post.

Attending a Dancing School.

Michael V. Meade of High street left
today for Albany, N. Y., where he will take
a course at a private dancing school. He
will also visit dancing schools in New
York and on his return will open a dancing
school in the Knights of Columbus hall in Adams, September 27.

Annual Picnic

The annual picnic and outing of the
Baptist church and Sunday school will be
held at Kemp park Monday afternoon.
Sports such as running, jumping, baseball,
and like events will be had. A basket
lunch will be served.

Lawson Sees Sights of Paris.

Al. Lawson has been seeing the sights
of gay Paris and writes interestingly
about them in a letter which will be published
in tomorrow's Sunday Democrat.

The Latest Political News

will be served up in an interesting manner
in tomorrow's Sunday Democrat.

Have your wheel repaired at the Bi-
cycle Library, 22 Summer street. Best work
at the lowest prices. Tandems and single.
Easy running wheels to let.

Icecream soda, 5¢ at J. H. C. Pratt's.

Smoke Calnan's C. & P. cigar and C.
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Some Exclusive News Features
will be found in tomorrow's Sunday Dem-
ocrat. Don't miss them.

A meeting of the hospital board of
control was held this afternoon at the
Wilson.

The Democratic caucuses will probably
be held September 15. A meeting of the
Democratic city committee will be
called in about a week.

A party from Coimbra numbering over 20
stopped at Grove for a picnic on their way
home from Deer Park last week.

Miss Sadie Saunders returned to her
home in Worcester, Mass., last week.

Local News!

Reed Murder Mystery.

In spite of all the talk about clues and
secret-hand arrests there is nothing new
in the Reed murder mystery. By some
accident the mystery may be cleared up
in a day, but as it now stands there is
nothing to warrant any prediction of an early arrest.
Such stories do well for sensational effect,
but the passing of time will show them
to be without any basis save imagination.
The officers are working hard,
Chief Kendall has been out of town on a
quiet hunt and M. E. Couch is keeping
himself busy. Still there is not much
that is new and valuable.

The Band Concert.

The concert given by Clapp's band Fri-
day night was a rare musical treat. It
was attended by a large number who ap-
preciated every strain. The efforts of
Bandmaster Clapp and his faithful and
talented musicians are highly regarded
by the most progressive and cultured of
this community. Some, only an unim-
portant few, are opposed to open air concerts
for various narrow and somewhat selfish
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they are under obligation to Bandmaster
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Father Mathew Fair.

The Father Mathew fair opens tonight,
Clapp's band will parade and give a con-
cert. There is sure to be a large attendance
at the fair. The attractions are good,
the interest will be maintained to a high
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Berkshire for Lawrence.

The following correspondence from
North Adams appears in the Springfield
Union:

"So far as this city is concerned the
question as to who will be the Republican
nominee for congress has settled itself.
The sentiment among the Republicans here
is unanimous that George P. Lawrence,
president of the senate, is to be elected
as a candidate.

"The opinion among the leading Repub-
licans is that the demand for Senator
Lawrence through the district has be-
come so strong that he will not turn a
deaf ear to his friends and refuse to be-
come a candidate. In the meantime the
senatorial senator is showing no special an-
xiety and has nothing to say in regard to
the nomination or as to what his intentions
are, but it is firmly believed by those
who know him best that he fully realizes
the real situation and will when the
proper time comes, accede to the desire
of his friends throughout the district.
"Should he become a candidate, this city
and all of Northern Berkshire will send a
solid Lawrence delegation to the conven-
tion and if advised to be believed the
whole of Berkshire will do likewise."

"The representative situation has not
changed and is not likely to. There is no
doubt of the nomination of Representative
Magenis and Colonel F. S. Richardson
and it seems to be the popular opinion
that no matter who the Democrats will
nominate the chances for defeating so
strong a team are extremely doubtful."

"Weakest of all the claims for Berkshire
and North Adams, is that the county and
city acquired certain rights in the term of
Mr. Wright which entitles that region to
name the man to complete it now he has
gone. Mr. Wright's nomination was per-
sonal, not local. It was a fit and deserved
recognition of his worth and a proper ap-
plication of the rule that to continue a
man in a representative office for a series
of years is to get the best service. That was
all, and with Mr. Wright's untimely
death its application ceased.

"North Adams has no proprietary rights
in this term. If the claim was reasonable,
it would be accompanied by some
assurance that the completion of the term
would be the extent to which it would be
urged. But no one suggests, and no one
would take stock in the suggestion if it
was made, that some man will be chosen
to go to congress and next year he will
modestly retire in another's favor.

"No, the man named by the Republicans
this year will continue to serve for a
succession of terms, if he prove worthy;
he will develop in his office and if his
natural abilities furnish a good founda-
tion he will be growing value to his
district and of gaining worth to the na-
tion, which has need of clean, able,
unselfish, studious men in its legislature.

The claim to some sort of rights in the
unfinished term will not stand for a mo-
ment with reasonable men, and reasonable
men are the ones to settle this contro-
versy.

All the Gazette said last week may be
reassured with added emphasis now—
that the perfectly sound and honorable
claim for the county is being recognized
in various parts of the district. Mr. Mal-
one is the one declared candidate, his
declaration of last year holding good
for this year, at least until he returns to
state his own position. There is
no disposition in Franklin county to abate
one line of the claim to the nomination,
and it is in all things most needless for
the press of other parts of the district to
remind the people here that they must
unitedly stand by the man for whom they
may cast the nomination.—Greenfield
Gazette and Courier.

GROVE.

The annual agricultural basket picnic
will be held in Benjamin Barber's grove
Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Nelson were at Mr.
Barber's recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean are at Charles
Prouty's.

Potatoes are blighting badly, but black-
berries are plentiful.

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stopped at Grove for a picnic on their way
home from Deer Park last week.

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home in Worcester, Mass., last week.

These waists must be sold during
August; you will save money if you buy
at our shirt waist counter.

By Telegraph

CHILD CARRIED OFF

By a Mountain Lion at Cas-
per Mountain in
Wyoming.

Casper, Wyo., August 28.—A two-year-
old child was carried away by a mountain
lion on Casper Mountain, Thursday morn-
ing. A fruitless search has been made
by the herders of flocks and miners day
and night. The little one was an orphan
whose mother died last year and whose
father had put her in the care and keeping
of a family by the name of Henderson
who is herding sheep ten miles from Cas-
per.

At daylight Thursday Mr. Henderson
arose and followed his flock, leaving the
wife and the orphan charge sleeping in
the camp. When he returned at 8 o'clock
the woman was still asleep and the baby was gone. It had awakened
and toddled off in its nightdress. A search
was at once made for the little one and its
footsteps were found leading to a spring
nearly a mile away. Near the
spring were found also fresh tracks of a
huge mountain lion. No other trace of
the babe has been found. There is known
to be a den of four lions on Casper mountain.
No hopes are entertained of finding the
child alive.

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I am not a record or an authority in the other world, but this I do know, that I never so mean to despise a man b' cause he was poor, even if he was ignoran' t, or because he was black.—John A. Andrew

MEMBERS ASSOCIATED PRESS.

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"WE HOLD THE WESTERN GATEWAY"

From the Seal of the city of North Adams.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AUG. 28, '97

Advertisers in THE TRANSCRIPT are the best business men in this community. Their advertisements are worth reading, and they are the firms with whom to trade most advantageously.

BUREAU FOR NEBRASKA.

Prosperity and good prices are regarded of no populism nor the predictions and arguments of no free silver politicians. Notwithstanding the fact that granaries are bursting with plenty, farmers are setting the prices for all their commodities ad a' Nebraska, the home of Bryan and Populism, along with other of the great states of the west, is feeling the pulse of new business life and activity in her veins, and is glad and hopeful.

After years of business depression and low prices she is regaining her reward in a' overflowing crops and splendid prices in one and the same year.

Go to prides and prosperity and good crop mean life to Nebraska farmers and business men. They are in political ruin to a' most distinguished and ambitious young men. They mean mortgages lifted from the shoulders of their husbands, and their debts discharged, and cash balances to revive the drooping spirits of their young links. They mean a loss of credit to Mr. Bryan and his school of finance.

To indicate the feeling of jubilation of Nebraska, as they see themselves emerging from the gloom of the hopelessness of populism, we quote from the letter of an astute observer of affairs in Lincoln in just received.

"What do you think of wheat? No bread has been reclaimed from the last of the wheat-striken states, and will, I am convinced, shake off the mantle of disgrace that populism has put upon us. We have an election this fall, of one supreme judge and a regent of the university, and we are going to make it Republican sure. The state is in corn and second in wheat this year. Every body is happy. One farm loan man told me the other day that with a crop or two such as we have this year we will be forced out of business, that money will go begging for an opportunity to be loaned. Mortgages already are being released in great numbers, men are paying for their farms with the single crop of 1897.

"Wheat yielding 30 to 35 bushels per acre and corn to 120 bushels will pay for land bought at \$20 to \$30 an acre and leave some left. The Burlington road has just finished a week of excursions to Illinois farmers and real estate men they have traveled over 1500 miles of this state and have seen the great crops. They travel through about 30 counties out of 60 and mostly in the western part of the state where most of the suffering from drought and hot winds has been felt in former years.

"Everywhere they report bountiful crops and the people jubilant. They say that they never saw such a look of activity and prosperity as the farmers are rapidly putting on. Nebraska is saved."

Truth for Nebraska.

IN THE FIRST DISTRICT.

The Northampton Gazette has this to say about the congressional situation:

"The drift toward Lawrence," they say, "is the first congressional district. Why? Not because Judge Lawrence is better known than the other candidates, nor can he be. He is not. He is not even a member of the legislature that will get him there. It is those 96 Berkshires, every one of which he can have if he is a candidate, that make him the one strong man in this contest. The fellow who holds the four acres and the four fingers of the ballot box will be a' still and await the progress of the play with great satisfaction. And that's just what Judge Lawrence is doing. The people are going to him because they can't go anywhere else."

Mr. Westfield Times and News Letter add this opinion:

The locality question should not be given too much prominence in selecting a successor to Congressmen Wright & Lawrence. All that is to be considered is the man who will best serve the many and important interests of the district. The vital question to be decided doubtless is not whether he is a Populist, but in the course of the district that would not be glad of the honor of furnishing a live congressman—and that is the kind of people want—but this is too difficult to talk about, in considering such a worthy man. The man who is not too good and the best let us have where we can have him without regard to where he may eat or sleep. While the weather of public sentiment is somewhat fluctuating, and sometimes points towards Holyoke and Greenfield, it is moving in a' general toward Lawrence, and in the end, a' very lame toward North Adams."

All of which goes to show that Judge Lawrence has more or less following outside of his own county. This is more than any other candidate can say at present at a' rate. The question is, will it move into the next congressional district from this good distance ahead and when it meets public sentiment will have made itself sufficiently manifest so that the man will be the real choice of the greater part of the whole district. A Holyoke paper talks about a' hot time in the old town if Holyoke don't get

the nomination. This is utter foolishness. Berkshire thinks, inasmuch as the rest of the district conceded to her the nomination a year ago and that she has been unfortunate enough to lose her composure by death, that she is not as summing up much by stating that the new man should come from within her borders. But if Berkshire does not get it there won't be a' hot time" or any axe swinging or kicking. As Mr. Clark of the Westfield Times says, "The best is not too good, and the best let us have where we can find him, without regard to where he may eat or sleep." Berkshire is willing to stand on this platform—Pittsfield Eagle.

RURAL BODILY HISTORY.

The Springfield Republican has been interviewing the sheriffs of the four western counties of Massachusetts on the subject of the prevalence of lawlessness in the rural communities coming under their jurisdiction, with a view to ascertaining who is at fault for the lamentable condition of things lately described by Prof. Norton. All the sheriffs acknowledge that Prof. Norton's indictment is not without warrant, and they note a general tendency toward a laxity in the enforcement of the law in the country places. There is said to be too little care in choosing the selectmen of the towns and in turn the selection of constables. The offices often go begging, and in this way more are put in who are not the best for the place. It is opined that, if in these country towns there was any great emergency which would call for courage, the officers would be found lacking in backbone. This tends to make us to further emphasize the necessity of reform in the local constabulary in the rural districts—Boston Herald.

General Bradford, of ancient lineage, is announced as a candidate for governor of Massachusetts on the Gold Democratic ticket.

Wheat and gold are passing each other on the Atlantic and the respective directions they are taking are entirely satisfactory to this country.

Gen. Miles went abroad to see the Greco-Turkish war, and witnessed the Queen's jubilee. You can't always bag the game you want, General, but be content if you go out for a squirrel and get a hare.

Five of the European powers profess to ignore Great Britain in waiting upon terms of peace that should be made between Turkey and Greece. If history has not deceived us, England got out and did the igniting first.

A meeting of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. will be held Monday evening.

The assessors will meet every Friday afternoon, from 2 until 5 o'clock, until October 1.

A meeting of the North Berkshire Poultry association will be held in the Wilson house Monday evening.

A young son of Mr. and Mrs. William Burch, while pounding lead, badly bruised the thumb of his left hand Friday afternoon.

Western farmers know the comparative value of a bird in the hand. They let him go of their wheat at twice what they expected to get for it and are in a position to put themselves on the back should there chance to be a slump.

With Senator George P. Lawrence in congress, the mention of Senator Root's name for the presidency of the state senate comes as naturally as talking. He is not the only "pinnacle," of course. Smith of East Dillinger of Cambridge, Morse of the Cape, Irvin of Northampton, Harvard of Newton, Towle of Boston and Bradford of Springfield have all risen to be counted.

Read the Transcript. Women's Corner offer of \$20 in gold, a silver tea set and an \$8 camera as prizes in a word contest. Prizes may be seen in the windows of L. M. Barnes, the jeweler, and F. G. Fountain on Main street. Enter the contest and you may get one of the valuable prizes.

TRAVELLER'S GUIDE.

Fitchburg Railroad.

Arrived May 31, 1897.

Leave North Adams go on East 8:37, 11:57 a.m., 1:33 p.m., 4:42 p.m., 8:10 p.m.

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OLD AND RELIABLE WILSON BLOCK JEWELER

L. M. Barnes

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Among the bargains I have for sale I would call particular attention to the following: 8 room house and 1/4 acre of land on Highview street, 3 houses on Ashland street, one a two-story house.

Good lots on Ashland and Davenport sts. no grading or grading.

Large and desirable investments in other parts of the city.

E. J. CARY,

Real Estate Bought and Sold.

NOTICE.

All those who play the violin, banjo, mandolin or guitar, or those who anticipate taking up either instrument should send their address as I have something to your interest. Send at once.

E. O. COOK,

Box 24, Clarksburg, Mass.

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Reception to Pastors.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Congregational church are preparing for a reception to be given to the pastor, Rev. A. B. Penniman, and his assistant, Rev. Miles B. Fisher, on the former's return from his vacation next Friday evening. The evening's pleasures will consist of music, speeches, refreshments and a regular fine time.

Rehearsals to Commence.

Prof. E. Wales has arranged to begin the rehearsals for the coming Kirmess, to be given at the opera house, under the auspices of the Universalist church, to begin next week. The Kirmess will be held September 15, 16 and 17, with a change of program each evening.

Bids Open.

The state highway commission is now advertising for bids on the mile of state road to be built at the south end of the town. The bids will be open until next Thursday. As soon as the contract is let the work will be pushed rapidly to completion.

Last Organ Recital.

Prof. Arnold, former organist at Trinity Methodist church, will give his last organ recital at the Methodist church in Pittsfield Sunday evening. Several from this town will attend.

The list of letters advertised at the post office this week is Mousier Charles Bourquin, Frank Lienau and Adalard Fratello.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Wair of Maple Grove Wednesday.

J. R. Pickett has leased a flat in P. J. Barrett's block on Park street and will move from Dean street next week.

The diphtheria case reported to the board of health a few days ago is getting along well.

"The Ha Beans" will probably play against the Cheshire again Labor day.

Greylock Lodge, N. E. O. P. are holding a clambake at Eel Cole's farm at Zylonite this afternoon.

Jack Doyle is matched to run a 100-yard race with Charles Urquhart of Pittsfield, Labor Day.

Mrs. John Gavin and daughter, Miss May, visited friends in Dalton Thursday and Friday.

Patrick, the infant son of Walter and Lizzie Peacock, died at his home on Birch street Thursday of cholera infantum. The funeral was held this afternoon from Notre Dame church.

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